WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1   1.   A method comprising:

2   extracting at least one task from a first document associated with a first

3   application;

4   extracting at least one other task from a second document associated with a

5   second application; and

6   storing each of the at least one task and at least one other task in a task

7   repository.

1   2.   The method of claim 1, the method additionally comprising assigning one of the

2   at least one task extracted from the first document to a task owner.

1   3.   The method of claim 2, the method additionally comprising:

2   receiving a modified task having a task update, the modified task corresponding

3   to the one of the at least one task; and

4   synchronizing the one of the at least one task with the modified task by updating

5   the one task with the task update.

1   4.   The method of claim 1, the method additionally comprising storing each of the at

2   least one task and at least one other task in a plurality of individual task

3   repositories, wherein each of the plurality of individual task repositories is

4   associated with a task owner, and is to store tasks associated with a respective

5   task owner.

.1   5.   A method comprising:

2   receiving a first modified task having a first task update, the first modified task

3   corresponding to a first task that is extracted from a first document into a

4   task repository, the first document corresponding to a first application;

5   receiving a second modified task having a second task update, the second

6   modified task corresponding to a second task that is extracted from a

7   second document into the task repository, the second document

8   corresponding to a second application;

9   synchronizing the first task with the first modified task by updating the task

10   repository with the first task update; and

11   synchronizing the second task with the second modified task by updating the

12   task repository with the second task update.

1   6.   The method of claim 5, the method additionally comprising updating the first

2   document with the first task update by exporting the first modified task into the

3   first document.

1   7.   The method of claim 6, the method additionally comprising updating the second

2   document with the second task update by exporting the second modified task

3   into the second document.

1   8.   An apparatus comprising:

2   a first circuit capable of:

3   extracting at least one task from a first document, the first document being

4   associated with a first application;

5   extracting at least one other task from a second document, the second

6   document being associated with a second application;

7   a second circuit capable of storing each of the at least one task and at least one

8   other task in a task repository.

1   9.   The apparatus of claim 8, wherein the second circuit is capable of storing each of

2   the at least one task and at least one other task in a master task repository.

3   10.   The apparatus of claim 9, wherein the second circuit is capable of storing each of

4   the at least one task and at least one other task in at least one additional task

5   repository, the at least one additional task repository including at least one

6   individual task repository associated with a task owner.

1   11.   The apparatus of claim 8, the apparatus additionally comprising a third circuit

2   capable of assigning one or more of the at least one task and at least one other

3   task to at least one task owner.

1   12.   The apparatus of claim 8, further comprising:

2   a third circuit capable of receiving a modified task having a task update, the

3   modified task corresponding to one of the at least one task; and

4   a fourth circuit capable of synchronizing the one of the at least one task with the

5   modified task by updating the one of the at least one task with the task

6   update.

1   13.   A system comprising:

2   a memory to store a plurality of documents each having at least one task;

3   a master task repository to store the at least one task;

4   a plurality of individual task repositories each corresponding to a task owner; and

5   a task extractor to:

6   extract at least one task from a first document of the plurality of

7   documents, the first document being associated with a first

8   application;

9   extract at least one other task from a second document of the plurality of

10   documents, the second document being associated with a second

11   application;

12   store each of the at least one task and at least one other task in the

13   master task repository, and in a corresponding one of the plurality

14   of task repositories.

1   14.   The system of claim 13, the task extractor to additionally assign some of the at

2   least one task and other task to at least one task owner of the at least one task

3   and other tasks.

1   15.   The system of claim 13, additionally comprising a task synchronizer to:

2   receive a modified task having a task update, the modified task corresponding to

3   one of the at least one task; and

4   synchronize the one of the at least one task with the modified task by updating

5   the one of the at least one task with the task update.

1   16.   A machine-readable medium having stored thereon instructions, the instructions

2   when executed by a machine, result in the following:

1   extracting at least one task from a first document, the first document being

2   associated with a first application;

3   extracting at least one other task from a second document, the second document

4   being associated with a second application;

5   storing each of the tasks and other tasks in at least one task repository.

1   17.   The machine-readable medium of claim 16, wherein one of the at least one task

2   repository includes a master task repository, and the instructions when executed

3   by the machine additionally result in:

4   receiving a modified task having a task update, the modified task corresponding

5   to one of the at least one task; and

6   synchronizing the one of the at least one task with the modified task by updating

7   the one of the at least one task with the task update.

1   18.   The machine-readable medium of claim 16, the instructions when executed by

2   the machine additionally result in assigning some of the at least one task and

3   other task to at least one task owner of the at least one task and other tasks.

1   19.   A machine-readable medium having stored thereon instructions, the instructions

2   when executed by a machine, result in the following:

3   receiving a first modified task having a first task update, the first modified task

4   corresponding to a first task that is extracted from a first document into a

5   task repository, the first document corresponding to a first application;

6   receiving a second modified task having a second task update, the second

7   modified task corresponding to a second task that is extracted from a

8   second document into the task repository, the second document

9   corresponding to a second application;

10   synchronizing the first task with the first modified task by updating the task

11   repository with the first task update; and

12   synchronizing the second task with the second modified task by updating the

13   task repository with the second task update.

1 20. The machine-readable medium of claim 19, the instructions when executed by

2   the machine additionally result in updating the first document with the first task

3   update by exporting the first modified task into the first document.

1 21. The machine-readable medium of claim 20, the instructions when executed by

2   the machine additionally result in updating the second document with the second

3   task update by exporting the second modified task into the second document.